

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace all the text on page 1, as originally filed and amended in a Preliminary Amendment mailed June 5, 2002.

--This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/355,072, now U.S. Patent No. 6,337,479, which is a National Phase filing of PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US98/01528, filed January 21, 1998 (Pub. WO 98/34092).

PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US98/01528 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/906,602, filed December 10, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 6,265,711, which is a file wrapper continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/281,883, filed July 28, 1994, now abandoned.

PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US98/01528 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/885,014, filed July 1, 1997, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,144,028, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/412,380, filed March 29, 1995, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/281,883, filed July 28, 1994, now abandoned.

PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US98/01528 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/776,361, filed May 16, 1997, which is a National Phase filing of PCT Application No. PCT/US95/09553, filed July 28, 1995 (Pub. WO 96/03641), which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/412,380, filed March 29, 1995, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/281,883, filed July 28, 1994, now abandoned.

PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US98/01528 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/506,516, filed July 24, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,751,683.

PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US98/01528 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/613,982, filed March 4, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,756,997.

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PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US98/01528 is a continuation-in-part of PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US96/12255, filed 07/24/96 (Pub. WO 97/04449), which is a CIP of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/506,516, filed 07/24/95, now U.S. Patent No. 5,751,683.

PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US98/01528 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/786,623, filed January 21, 1997, now abandoned, which is a continuation in part of:

- U.S. Patent Application No. 08/906,602, filed December 10, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 6,265,711, which is a file wrapper continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/281,883, filed July 28, 1994, now abandoned.
- PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US95/09553, filed 07/28/95 (Pub. WO 96/03641), which is a CIP of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/412,380, filed March 29, 1995, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/281,883, filed July 28, 1994, now abandoned;
- U.S. Patent Application No. 08/506,516, filed 07/24/95, now U.S. Patent No. 5,751,683;
- U.S. Patent Application No. 08/613,982, filed 03/04/96, now U.S. Patent No. 5,756,997; and
- PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US96/12255, filed 07/24/96 (Pub. WO 97/04449), which is a CIP of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/506,516, filed 07/24/95, now U.S. Patent No. 5,751,683.

PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US98/01528 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/827,953, filed April 6, 1997, now abandoned, which is a continuation in part of:

- U.S. Patent Application No. 08/906,602, filed December 10, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 6,265,711, which is a file wrapper continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/281,883, filed July 28, 1994, now abandoned;

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- U.S. Patent Application No. 08/412,380, filed March 29, 1995, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/281,883, filed July 28, 1994, now abandoned;
- PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US95/09553, filed 07/28/95 (Pub. WO 96/03641), which is a CIP of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/412,380, filed March 29, 1995, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/281,883, filed July 28, 1994, now abandoned;
- U.S. Patent Application No. 08/506,516, filed 07/24/95, now U.S. Patent No. 5,751,683;
- U.S. Patent Application No. 08/613,982, filed 03/04/96, now U.S. Patent No. 5,756,997;
- PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US96/12255, filed 07/24/96 (Pub. WO 97/04449), which is a CIP of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/506,516, filed 07/24/95, now U.S. Patent No. 5,751,683; and
- U.S. Patent Application No. 08/786,623, filed January 21, 1997, now abandoned, which is a continuation in part of U.S. Patent Application Nos. 08/906,602, 08/506,516, and 08/613,982, and PCT Patent Application Nos. PCT/US95/09553 and PCT/US96/12255 with priorities as set forth above.

All of the identified and cross-referenced applications are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.--